



St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
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November 24, 2019
Reign of Christ/Christ the King

** Please stand for these moments during the service if you are able to.*

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST THE KING

Prelude: Rejoice, the Lord is King - Charles Wesley / John Darwall

Introit: "Here I am to worship" by Bryan and Ashitha

*Responsive Call to Worship

Rejoice greatly, for Christ is your King.

O come, let us worship and bow down. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessed are you, O Lord, King of the universe; you have delivered us from sin and death.

By your blood, you have brought your people into your kingdom.

Therefore, God has highly exalted him:

And bestowed on him the name which is above every name;

That at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow:

And every tongue confess him the King of glory.

O come, let us worship and bow down. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn of Praise: Come Children Join And Sing **# 377 Blue**

Our Adoration to the King of Glory (from Psalm 24):

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people.

**God laid the earth's foundation on the seas
and built it on the ocean depths.**

Who may climb the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

Those whose hands and hearts are pure,

They will receive the Lord's blessing

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; be lifted up, ye everlasting doors;
that the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

**Lift up your heads, O ye gates; lift them up, ye everlasting doors;
that the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord almighty, he is the King of glory.

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Our Prayer of Confession: (Jeremiah 23, Colossians 1)

Holy and healing God, we confess that we often prefer darkness to light, and our own plans to your purposes.

Forgive our fleeting enthusiasms, our lack of trust, and our shallow commitments. Renew us through the example of your Son, our Saviour; so that, even now, we might live in your glorious presence, and be transformed by your redeeming grace. Amen

Welcome and Announcements

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Musical Item: "To God be the Glory"

solo by Emily Rachpaul

Congregation joins v3 and final chorus

GOD'S SPEAKS TO US FROM HIS WORD

*Youth Hymn: At The Cross

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Children's Story:

Psalms: 46 Refrain 1

The Scriptures: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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Musical Item: "Days of Elijah"

by Bryan and Ashitha

Sermon: King Jesus! The Restorer of Hope

Hymn of Response: Crown Him With Many Crowns

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The giving of our Gifts in Tithes and Offering:

Diamonds from the Crown of the Lord – Thomas A. Dorsey

*Offertory Hymn:

We bring the sacrifice of praise, Into the house of the Lord.

We bring the sacrifice of praise, Into the house of the Lord.

And we offer up to You, The sacrifices of thanksgiving;

And we offer up to You, The sacrifices of joy. Amen.

WE GO OUT TO LIVE AS SERVANTS OF CHRIST

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hymn: All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name

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*Benediction: May the Lord, Mighty God - Richard Rodgers

with guitar accompaniment by Anthony Sampras

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Postlude: All hail King Jesus - Dave Moody

Welcome to St. Mark's

Today Christians across the world celebrate the Reign of Christ and it is also the 24th and last Sunday after Pentecost. We welcome everyone to this worship service as we give joyful praise to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We wish for everyone a tremendous blessing as we worship and fellowship together by God's grace. We extend special welcome to anyone who is worshipping with us for the first time.

If you are new to St. Mark's, we pray that your time with us this morning will be a blessing to you, and we invite you to fill in the blue Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate so that we have a record of your time with us.

Infants, toddlers, and children are welcome as part of our worship in the sanctuary! Following the first part of the service each Sunday, many of our children and youth go with their teachers to Sunday School. Children who are visiting are invited to join in!

Nursery: The Service can be heard from the Nursery downstairs for the convenience of parents with babies and toddlers

Thank You for Helping with Today's Service:

Greeters: Colin Henry and Douglas Thomas

Duty Elder: Dianne Douglas

Sound Technicians: Edward Forsyth & Bryan Pradeepson

Bulletin: Sheba & Anthony Sampras



If you require pastoral services please fill out one of the cards in the pew and place it in the offering plate, contact Rev. Germaine Lovelace at 204-297-3950 or 905-677-4514. His email address is: lovemarlon2000@yahoo.com.

Rev. Lovelace is also available here at the church office every Tuesday – Friday 10:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Upcoming Worship & Church Events



- **Reign of Christ:** Today we observe the Reign of Christ as we thank God for sending His Son Jesus and for our salvation in Him. **All are invited to share in a time of fellowship in the Lower Hall following this worship service. We are also seeking volunteers to provide or prepare refreshment for our fellowship time. Please speak with Velda Walkes if you would love to volunteer in this ministry.**
- **Kirk/Session:** The Kirk/Session will meet on Monday December 2, 2019 for our monthly meeting.

- **Holly Tea and Bazaar:** Sincere thanks is extended to everyone who supported our annual Holly Tea and Bazaar, hosted by Food Friends yesterday. We continue to pray for the work of Food Friends in our Church and make an appeal for others to join this hard-working Hospitality group.
- **Communion:** On Sunday, December 1, the first Sunday of Advent, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All are invited.
- **Memorial Service:** We note the passing of Hazel Humeniuk who made her transition into the nearer presence of God on Sunday October 13. A Memorial service will be held for her in March 2020. Please continue to keep her family in your prayers.
- **Need a Lift?** Do you want to attend church but do not have regular transportation to get here? Please speak with Rev. Germaine if you require a ride to get to church on Sundays and we will help you get here.
- **Scriptures Readers:** If you would love to participate in our worship services through reading scripture please write your name on the scripture reading list on the table in the narthex.
- **Music Ministry:** The Senior choir will practise on Thursday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m.
- Both the Five Alive Singers and the Intermediate choir will rehearse following the service of worship.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the greeting and welcoming ministry or if you have notices for the bulletin, please talk with the Duty Elder for that Sunday or contact Sam Alfred at 416-258-4435 or sla1302@sympatico.ca (A Duty Elder's list is on the notice board in the narthex.)

Flowers in the sanctuary today were donated by Colleen Gordon in memory of her mother Advira Gordon.

A Flower Chart is posted in the Narthex kindly fill in the Sunday or month you would like to donate flowers for the Sanctuary or Contact Cynthia Gooden at 905-673-7246 or Ivy Jones at 416-878-6620

Offering Envelopes: If you need 2020 Offering Envelopes please contact Shirley Sumere @ 905-676-9850 or an Elder.

Website:

Our Technology committee has updated our website. Please visit our website at: <http://stmarksmalton.ca>. Give us your feedback!

Especially in our prayers

“ Please be in prayer for members of our church family who are sick, or who are homebound:

“ Nashwill Gordon

“ Lee Younger

“ Muriel Bennett

“ Helen Forsyth

“ Sandra & James Moravek

“ Edna Hazel

“ Verna Dockendorff

“ Sarwar Paul Hussain, (Azar Paul's Father)

“ Greg Somar & Joseph Seecharran (Susan Ramneres' nephew and 1st Cousin who are both recovering from illness)

“ Abhijit Ghosh is recovering well at home after his recent bypass surgery. Abhijit sends thanks to his church family for all the prayers on his behalf.

“ Mr. Devaprasad Martin (Father of Charles Martin who is faithfully going through chemotherapy as he battles cancer)

“ Cordaleen Hinds who had surgery and is recovering well so far.

“ Other Members of our church family and community who are facing health issues and mobility challenges.

“ Each week we join millions of Christians who pray for one another. Let us hold in our hearts Christians in parts of Asia & the Middle East, Africa and other parts of the world who are being persecuted because of their faith.

Please also hold these concerns in your prayers, today and throughout the week:

“ For refugee families and individuals seeking shelter and safety, and for all who are working to provide it: May God magnify their efforts.

“For the people of Hong Kong as protests continues and anger and hurt continue to rise.

“ For all discerning the way forward in difficult circumstances, may God's light lead and guide them forward.



Prayer Chain: If you would like the prayer chain to pray for you or for a particular concern please contact Rev. Germaine Lovelace at 905-677-4514 or stmarkschurchmalton@gmail.com.

Please contact the church office if you would like to hear more about St Mark's at 905-677-4514 or stmarkschurchmalton@gmail.com

Reign of Christ/Christ the King Sunday

Many churches observe the Reign of Christ/Christ of King on the last Sunday of the Christian year, which falls on the third or fourth Sunday of November. On this Sunday we celebrate Jesus' conquering of sin and victory over death, his eternal reign, and our identity as a royal priesthood that shares in his reign. This festival was established in 1925 as a proclamation to combat the secularization of society and to call on everyone, including governments, to submit to Christ.

For those who carefully observe the events of the Christian year it is also the last Sunday before Advent begins. As such, it helps worshipers who are already thinking about Christmas to remember that the event of Christmas is about much more than a baby in a manger—it's about a sovereign Christ! Even if you do not identify the day as a special celebration, Christians are encouraged to consider this theme for the Sunday before Advent begins. Marking the kingship of Christ makes a healthy transition that leads directly from Ordinary Time into Advent, the Christmas cycle, and the remainder of the Christian year.

The theme of the Lordship of Christ is integral to the message of the entire New Testament and certainly to the faithful practice of Christian worship. So, this Sunday aims to focus our attention and our worship on Christ's reign over the world.

Benediction -

*May the Lord, Mighty God,
Bless and keep you forever,
Grant you peace, perfect Peace,
Courage in every endeavour.
Lift up your heart and see His face
Full of grace forever,
May the Lord, Mighty God,
Bless and keep you forever*